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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator, Vernon L. Phillips.

Town Clerk, Herman C. Miller.

Selectmen, Clarence C. Jones, Francis W. Abbott, Leon E. Hoyt.

Treasurer, Herman C. Miller.

Tax Collector, Rodney G. Mills.

Board of Education, Harold A. Varnum, Winifred C. Hoyt, C. Gladys St. John.

Auditor, State Tax Commission, Municipal Accounting Division.

Supervisors, Arthur J. Miller, William Bassett, Jr., Rodney G. Mills.

Road Agent, Thomas E. Bixby.

Overseer of Poor, Arthur J. Miller.

Trustees of Trust Funds, Paul T. Bradbury, Rodney G. Mills, Kathleen F. Johnson.

Library Trustees, Paul T. Bradbury, Henry B. Hill, Lillian C. Stewart, Alice L. Hall, Appointed.

Cemetery Trustees, Arthur J. Miller, Rodney G. Mills, Arthur E. Holt.

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Francestown in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Francestown on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the budget as submitted by the Selectmen or make alterations in the same, and raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to finance the same as finally adopted.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or borrow one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) on serial notes, to tar and sand that portion of the Turnpike, between the Epps Four Corners and the Town Hall.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate two thousand dollars ($2,000.00), deficiency appropriation to reimburse the Treasury for money expended on emergency washouts, sanding Turnpike, and printing town reports.

6. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the recommendations of the Zoning Committee or take any action relating thereto.

7. To see what action the Town will take regarding the proposition of Mr. John B. Reid, in regard to the road leading to his place and if accepted, raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the same.

8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to take one hundred dollars ($100.00) of the fire appropriation and add it to the Fire Truck Fund.

9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to withhold one hundred dollars ($100.00) of the fire appropriation, the same to revert to the Town Treasury to offset excess expenditures in 1950 fire account.

10. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a by-law as follows: (Under authority of S.39, C233 R. L.) It shall be unlawful for any person to kindle or cause to be kindled a camp or outdoor cooking fire in this town, without permission of the Forest Fire Warden.

11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow a sufficient sum of money to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes.

12. Shall the provisions of Chapter 171A of the revised laws relative to playing games of beano be adopted in this town.

13. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors and Committees heretofore chosen and take action on the same.

14. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this fourteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-one.

CLARENCE C. JONES
FRANCIS W. ABBOTT
LEON E. HOYT
Selectmen of Francestown

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

CLARENCE C. JONES
FRANCIS W. ABBOTT
LEON E. HOYT
Selectmen of Francestown

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1951 to December 31, 1951. Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1950 to December 31, 1950.

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1950	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1950	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1951
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	$2,781 00	$2,796 41	$2,796 41
Railroad Tax	95 00	102 74	102 74
Growing Wood and Timber	1,700 00	1,229 68	1,450 00
Reimbursement a/c Old Age As.		36 98	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	100 00	163 40	150 00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees		10 50	5 00
Rent of Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	100 00	90 00	90 00
Interest received on Taxes and Deposits	50 00	69 00	70 00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,153 00	1,702 99	1,400 00
4—$500 notes for purpose of Tarring Turnpike		2,000 00	
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular at $2.00	384 00	300 00	300 00
Total Revenues from all Sources Except Property Taxes	$6,363 00	$8,501 70	$6,364 15

Purposes of Expenditures	Appropriations Previous Year 1950	Actual Expenditures Year 1950	Estimated Expenditures Year 1951
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	$905 00	$905 00	$905 00
Town Officers' Expenses & Auditing	925 00	1,168 08	600 00
Election and Registration Exp.	150 00	150 94	75 00
Expenses Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	500 00	549 23	200 00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	100 00	118 96	100 00
Fire Department	900 00	1,043 80	1,000 00
Moth Extermination	400 00	400 00	300 00
Insurance	300 00	328 63	400 00
Health:			
Vital Statistics	12 00	10 00	15 00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	100 00	86 47	90 00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Summer	3,500 00	3,528 85	2,500 00
Town Maintenance—Winter	2,000 00	1,846 27	2,000 00
Street Lighting	594 00	594 00	594 00
General Expenses of Highway Department	450 00	416 52	400 00
Town Road Aid	754 63	754 63	812 76
Libraries	1,105 00	1,105 00	1,010 00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	100 00	54 00	50 00
Old Age Assistance	1,000 00	1,236 21	800 00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day & Veterans' As.	10 00	10 00	10 00

Purposes of Expenditures	Appropriations Year 1950	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1950	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1951
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	300 00	300 10	200 00
Unclassified:			
Damages & Legal Exp., Incl. Dog Damage		325 00	
Advertising & Regional Asso.	78 00	78 00	77 00
Auto Permits	130 00	139 50	125 00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	95 00	57 09	65 00
On Long Term Notes	135 00	166 08	175 00
Outlay for New Construction and Perm. Improv.			
Highways and Bridges:			
Sanding Turnpike		738 00	
Emergency Expense		618 25	
Tarring Turnpike	2,500 00	2,648 22	
Payment on principal of Debt:			
Indebtedness:			
(b) Long Term Notes	2,000 00	2,000 00	2,500 00
Payments to Other Gov. Divs.:			
County Taxes	4,204 60	4,204 60	4,204 60
School Taxes	15,203 14	13,786 40	17,298 77
Total Expenditures	$38,451 37	$39,367 83	$36,507 13

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION OF THE TOWN OF FRANCISTOWN IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY FOR THE TAX YEAR 1950

		Valuation
Land and buildings		$667,235
Electric Plants		58,646
Horses	39	3,210
Cows	202	33,225
Other Neat Stock	23	2225
Sheep and Goats	168	6,700
Fowls	4,378	5,025
Portable Mills	2	3,700
Wood, lumber		2,620
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	6	650
Stock in Trade		7,500
Mills and Machinery		6,100
Total Valuation		$796,836
Less Soldiers' exemptions and exemptions to blind		22,700
Net valuation on which tax rate is computed		$774,136
Amount of property valuation exempted to veterans		$22,700
Number of inventories distributed		310
Number of inventories returned		210
Number of veterans who received property exemption		30
Number of veterans exempted from poll tax		37

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

CLARENCE C. JONES
LEON E. HOYT
FRANCIS W. ABBOTT
Selectmen

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR 1950

Appropriations:

Town Officers' Salaries	$905 00
Town Officers' Expenses & Auditing	925 00
Election and Registration Expenses	150 00
Town Hall and Buildings	500 00
Police Department	100 00
Fire Department	900 00
Blister Rust—Moth Extermination	400 00
Town Dump	100 00
Vital Statistics	12 00
Auto Permits	130 00
Town Road Aid	754 63
Town Maintenance	6,000 00
Street Lighting	594 00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	450 00
Insurance	300 00
Libraries	1,105 00
Old Age Assistance	1,000 00
Town Poor	100 00
Memorial Day & Veterans' Asso.	10 00
Cemeteries	300 00
Avertising and Regional Asso.	78 00
Interest	230 00
Payments on Principal of Debt	2,000 00
County Tax	4,204 60
School Tax	15,203 14
Total Town and School Appropriations	$36,451 37

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and dividend tax	$2,781 00
Savings bank tax	95 00
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood & timber	1,700 00
Motor vehicle permit fees	1,153 00
Dog licenses	100 00
Rent of town property	100 00
Interest received on taxes	50 00

Total Revenues and Credits		$5,979 00
		$30,472 37
Plus overlay		102 93
Net amount to be raised by taxation		$30,575 30
Less: Number 192 of Poll Taxes at $2.00	384 00	
Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured		$30,191 30
Taxes to be Committed to Collector:		
Tax Rates Town $3.90		
Property Taxes	$30,191 30	
Poll Taxes at $2.00	384 00	
Total Taxes to be Committed		$30,575 30

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Date June 14, 1950.

CLARENCE C. JONES
FRANCIS W. ABBOTT
LEON E. HOYT
SELECTMEN

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1950

Title of Appropriations	Appropriations	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amt. Available	Expended	Unexpended Balances	Overdrafts
Town Officers' Salaries	$905 00		$905 00	$905 00		
Town Officers' Expenses	850 00		850 00	1,168 08		$318 08
Election & Registration	150 00		150 00	150 94		94
Town Hall and Building	500 00	$90 00	590 00	549 23	$40 77	
Police Department	100 00		100 00	118 96		18 96
Fire Department	800 00		800 00	943 80		143 80
Blister Rust	400 00		400 00	400 00		
Dog Damage		303 21	303 21	325 00		21 79
Town Dump	100 00		100 00	86 47	13 53	
Vital Statistics	12 00		12 00	10 00	2 00	
Insurance	300 00		300 00	328 63		28 63
Summer Highways	3,500 00	547 00	4,047 00	4,800 50		753 50
Winter Highways	2,000 00		2,000 00	1,846 27	153 73	
Tarring Turnpike	500 00	2,000 00	2,500 00	2,648 22		148 22
T. R. A.	754 63		754 63	754 63		
General Highway Acct.	450 00		450 00	416 52	33 48	
Street Lights	594 00		594 00	594 00		
Library Account	1,105 00		1,105 00	1,105 00		
Old Age Assistance	1,000 00		1,000 00	1,236 21		236 21
Town Poor	100 00		100 00	54 00	46 00	
Memorial Day	10 00		10 00	10 00		
Auto Permits	130 00		130 00	139 50		9 50
Cemeteries	300 00		300 00	300 10		10
Interest	230 00		230 00	223 17	6 83	
Monadnock Region	78 00		78 00	78 00		
Principal of Debt	2,000 00		2,000 00	2,000 00		
County Tax	4,204 60		4,204 60	4,204 60		
TOTALS	$21,073 23	$2,940 21	$24,013 44	$25,396 83	$296 34	$1,679 73
				Overdrafts		$1,679 73
				Unexpended Balances		296 34
				Overdraft		$1,383 39

Financial Report of the Town of Francestown in Hillsborough County for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1950

Assets

Cash—In hands of treasurer	$7,055 67	
Road Equipment	1,000 00	
Fire Truck	100 00	
Accounts Due to the Town:		
(b) Bounties	24 50	
(c) Timber Tax Balance	225 74	
Other bills due Town:		
Rent of Town Hall	24 00	
Unredeemed Taxes:		
(b) Levy of 1949	247 41	
(c) Levy of 1948	65 19	
(d) Previous Years	376 15	
Uncollected Taxes:		
(a) Levy of 1950	4,872 45	
(b) Levy of 1949	45 26	
(c) Levy of 1948	8 88	
(d) Previous Years	107 68	
Total Assets	$14,363 98	
(Net Debt)	1,289 97	
Grand Total		$15,653 95
Net Debt—Surplus Dec. 31, 1949	$188 10	
Net Debt—Surplus Dec. 31, 1950	1,289 97	
Increase of Debt	1,101 87	

State purpose for which debt was created—Turnpike Rd. Con. Emergency washouts and town reports.

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by the Town:		
Due tax collector levy of 1949 (Cost of tax sales)	$13 50	
Horse Sheds and Common	121 73	
Due to School Districts:		
(a) Dog licenses	55 85	
(b) Balance of appropriation	7,862 87	
Capital Reserve Funds	1,100 00	
Long Term Notes Outstanding:		
Road Note	3,000 00	
Church note due 1951	500 00	
Fire Escape notes $500.00 due 1951: $500.00 due 1952	1,000 00	
Turnpike notes $500.00 due 1951; 1952; 1953; 1954	2,000 00	
Total Liabilities		$15,653 95

Receipts

Current Revenue:		
From Local Taxes:		
1. Property Taxes	$25,524 53	
2. Poll Taxes, regular at $2 current year,	300 00	
5. Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted		$25,824 53
6. Property Taxes, previous years		3,742 55
7. Poll Taxes, previous years, regular at $2		80 00
9. Interest received on taxes		69 00
10. Tax sales redeemed		634 25
From State:		
(b) For Class V Highway maintenance		547 00
12. Interest and dividend tax		2,796 41
14. Savings bank tax		102 74
17. Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber		1,229 68
19. Fighting forest fires		43 84
20. Bounties		23 50
21. Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance		36 98
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:		
24. Dog licenses		163 40
25. Business licenses, permits and filing fees		10 50
27. Rent of town Property		90 00
Registration of motor vehicles, 1950 permits		1,702 99
Receipts Other than Current Revenue:		
34. Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	4,000 00	
35. Long term notes during year	2,000 00	
37. Insurance adjustments	27 62	
38. Refunds	155 88	
40. New Trust Funds received during year	250 00	
R. G. Mills, cost of Tax Sales	13 50	
Total Receipts other than Current Revenue		$43,544 37
Total Receipts from All Sources		$43,544 37
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1950		8,329 53
Grand Total		$51,873 90

Payments

Current Maintenance Expenses:		
General Government:		
1. Town officers' salaries		$905 00
2. Town officers' expenses		1,168 08
3. Election & registration expenses		150 94
5. Expenses town hall and other town buildings		536 23
Protection of Persons and Property:		
6. Police department		118 96
8. Fire department, including forest fires		1,151 83
9. Moth extermination—Blister Rust		400 00
10. Bounties		24 50
11. Damage by dogs		325 00
12. Insurance		328 63
Health:		
14. Vital statistics		10 00
16. Town dumps & garbage removal		86 47
Highways and Bridges:		
Washout Emergency		618 25
17. Town Road Aid		754 63
18. Town Maintenance		
Summer	$4,800 50	
Winter	1,846 22	6,646 77
19. Street lighting		594 00
20. General Expenses of Highway dept.		416 52
Libraries:		
21. Libraries		1,105 00
Public Welfare:		
22. Old age assistance		1,236 21
23. Town poor		54 00
Patriotic Purposes:		
25. Memorial Day & Vet. As.		10 00
Public Service Enterprises:		
30. Cemeteries		300 10
Unclassified:		
32. Care Town Clock		13 00
Error on orders 107 and 108		1 01

33. Advertising & Regional As.	78 00	
34. Taxes bought by Town	262 61	
35. Discounts, Abatements & refunds	48 68	
36. Common $121.92: Auto permits $139.50	261 42	
		$651 72
Total Current Maintenance Expenses		$17,605 84
Interest:		
37. Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	57 09	
38. Paid on long term notes	166 08	
Total Interest Payments		$223 17
Outlay for New Construction, Equipment & Permanent Improvements:		
Tarring Turnpike	2,648 22	
Total Outlay Payments		$2,648 22
Indebtedness:		
50. Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	4,000 00	
51. Payments on long term notes	2,000 00	
53. Payments to capital reserve funds	100 00	
54. Payments to trustees of trust funds	250 00	
Total Indebtedness Payments		$6,350 00
Payments to Other Gov. Divs.:		
56. Taxes paid to County	4,204 60	
58. Payments to School Dist. Approp. $13,786.40	13,786 40	
Total Payments to Other Gov. Divs.:		$17,991 00
Total Payments for all Purposes		$44,818 23
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1950		7,055 67
Grand Total		$51,873 90

Schedule of Town Property

Description	Value
1. Town Hall, lands and buildings	$25,000 00
Furniture and equipment	500 00
2. Libraries, lands and buildings	5,000 00
Furniture and equipment	1,000 00
3. Police Dept., lands & buildings	
Equipment	25 00
4. Fire Dept., lands & buildings	2,000 00
Equipment	5,000 00
5. Highway Dept., lands & buildings	150 00
Equipment	2,000 00
9. Schools, lands and buildings	10,000 00
Equipment	3,000 00
Town Dump	100 00
Town Garage land	200 00
Forest Fire Equipment	600 00
Total	$54,575 00

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Date Feb. 28, 1951.

Clarence C. Jones
Francis W. Abbott
Leon E. Hoyt, Selectmen

Herman C. Miller, Treasurer

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Auto Permits:			
January		$61 14	
February		296 36	
March		651 08	
April		96 13	
May		43 27	
June		71 66	
July		83 63	
August		195 62	
September		50 82	
October		89 45	
November		48 19	
December		15 64	
279 Permits issued			$1,702 99
Dog Licenses:			
2 Kennel	$24 00		
7 Female at $5.00	35 00		
59 male & spayed dogs at $2.00	118 00		
		$177 00	
Paid Out:			
Commission on 68 dogs at $.20	13 60		
			$163 40
Pistol Permits	$3 50		
Filing Fees	7 00		
			$10 50
Total Receipts			$1,876 89

Respectfully submitted,
HERMAN C. MILLER
TOWN CLERK

STATEMENT OF TAX COLLECTOR

Uncollected Taxes

Levy of 1946

Dr.

Uncollected taxes Jan. 1, 1950	$21 35

Cr.

Abatement	$2 00
Uncollected taxes	$19 35

Levy of 1947

Dr.

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1950	$40 30

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer	$22 09
Abatements	4 00
Uncollected taxes	14 21
	$40 30

Levy of 1948

Dr.

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1950	$58 65

Cr.

Remittances to treasurer	$43 01
Abatements	2 00
Uncollected	13 64
	$58 65

Levy of 1949

Dr.

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1950	$3,256 68
Interest collected	66 55
Total debits	$3 ,323 23

Cr.

Remittances to treasurer	$3,256 68
Abatements	23 28
Total Credits	$3,279 96
Uncollected	$43 27
	$3,323 23

Levy of 1950

Dr.

Total warrant	$30,575 30
Yield tax	265 06
Added taxes	20 63
Interest collected	2 36
Total Debits	$30,863 35

Cr.

Remittances to treasurer	$25,826 89
Abatements	31 91
Uncollected taxes as per collectors' list	5,004 55
Total Credits	$25,858 80

Property Sold For Taxes

Levy of 1949

Alden R. Udall	$154 66
Louise Brock	29 18
Earl Hammond	18 19
Charles L. Woodbury	42 13
Earl Chamberlain	15 20
Albert Bourgois	3 25
	$262 61

Tax Sales Redeemed

Levy of 1948, Alden R. Udall	$174 93
Levy of 1948, Raymond L. Cilley	45 69
Levy of 1948, George Michelson	67 72
Levy of 1949 Earl Chamberlain	15 20
	$303 54

Respectfully submitted,
Rodney G. Mills
Tax Collector

FINANCIAL REPORT OF TREASURER

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1950

Balance in Treasury January 1, 1950		$8,329 53
Rodney G. Mills, Tax Collector:		
1947 Poll Tax	$16 00	
1947 Property Tax	8 44	
1947 Interest	09	
		$24 53
1948 Property Tax	$43 01	
		$43 01
1949 Poll Tax	$64 00	
1949 Property Tax	3,691 10	
1949 Interest	66 55	
1949 Tax Sale Cost	13 50	
		$3,835 15
1950 Poll Tax	$300 00	
1950 Property Tax	25,524 53	
1950 Interest	2 36	
		$25,826 89
Tax Sales Redeemed:		
1948	$296 99	
1949	15 20	
		$312 19
Herman C. Miller, Clerk:		
Auto Permits	$1,702 99	
Dog Taxes	163 40	
Filing Fees	7 00	
Pistol Permits	3 50	
		$1,876 89
Loans:		
Souhegan National Bank	$4,000 00	
First National Bank, Peterborough	2,000 00	
		$6,000 00
Rentals: Town Hall	$90 00	
		$90 00

Trust Funds:		
Huntington Cemetery Trust Fund	$100 00	
Forest Carsons Cemetery Trust Fund	100 00	
Solomon Atwood Trust Fund	50 00	
		$250 00
State Treasurer:		
Recovery of Old Age Assistance	$36 98	
Forest Fires	43 84	
Class V. Highway	547 00	
Hedgehog Bounties	23 50	
Savings Bank, Int. & Div. Tax	2,899 15	
Timber Tax	1,229 68	
		$4,780 15
Unclassified:		
Henry C. Rowland, redemption of F. S. Burnham Est.	$322 06	
Herman C. Miller, balance due from 1949 town clerk	9 51	
Town of Hudson, groceries, Esther Smith, Dec.-Jan.	24 00	
R. Granger Benson, fire bill	41 67	
Town of New Boston, fire bill	78 69	
Roger P. Clark, rebate on Town Help Insurance	27 62	
T. E. Bixby, overpayment on emergency repair money receipts	1 00	
Selectmen to correct errors on orders Nos. 107 & 109	1 01	
		$505 56
Total Receipts		$51,873 90
Total Payments		44,818 23
Balance in Treasury, Dec. 31, 1950		$7,055 67

Respectfully submitted,
HERMAN C. MILLER
TREASURER

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Current Year Property Taxes	$25,524 53
Current Year Poll Taxes	300 00
Property and Polls Previous Years	3,822 55
Tax Sales Redeemed	634 25
From State:	
Bounties	23 50
Forest Fires	43 84
Gas Tax	547 00
Savings Bank Tax	102 74
Interest and Dividend Tax	2,796 41
Timber Tax	1,229 68
Recovery of Old Age Assistance	36 98
Dog Licenses	163 40
Pistol Permits	3 50
Rent of Town Hall	90 00
Interest	69 00
Auto Permits	1,702 99
Filing Fees	7 00
Unclassified:	
Bal. due from 1949, Town Clerk	9 51
Groceries for Esther Smith	24 00
Fire Bill from H. Granger Benson	41 67
Fire Bill from New Boston	78 69
Cost of Tax Sales	13 50
Insurance Rebate of Town Help	27 62
Overpayment on emergency money	1 00
To correct errors on orders 107-109	1 01
Temporary Loans	4,000 00
Term Notes	2,000 00
Trust Funds	250 00
Total Receipts	$43,544 37
Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1950	8,329 53
Grand Total	$51,873 90

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries	$905 00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,168 08
Election and Registration	150 94
Forest Fires	208 03
Town Hall and Buildings	536 23
Police Department	118 96
Fire Department	943 80
Blister Rust Control	400 00
Bounties	24 50
Damage by Dogs	325 00
Care of Town Dump	86 47
Vital Statistics	10 00
Insurance	328 63
Summer Highways	4,266 85
Winter Highways	1,846 27
Gas money	533 65
Tarring Turnpike	2,648 22
Gen. Expense Highway Dept.	416 52
Street Lighting	594 00
Libraries	1,105 00
Old Age Assistance	1,236 21
Town Poor	54 00
Emergency Highway money	618 25
Memorial Day	10 00
Auto Permits	139 50
Common	121 92
Trust Funds	350 00
Cemeteries	300 10
Care of Town Clock	13 00
Taxes Bought by Town	262 61
Refunds	48 68
Interest	223 17
T. R. A.	754 63
Monadnock Region	78 00
Temporary Loans	4,000 00
Term Notes	2,000 00
County Tax	4,204 60
School District	13,786 40
To Correct Error on Vouchers 107 & 108	1 01

Total Payments	$44,818 23
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1951	7,055 67
Grand Total	$51,873 90

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries:		
Clarence C. Jones, selectman	$225 00	
Francis W. Abbott, selectman	225 00	
Leon E. Hoyt, selectman	225 00	
Herman C. Miller, town clerk	60 00	
Herman C. Miller, town treasurer	40 00	
Rodney G. Mills, tax collector	100 00	
Arthur J. Miller, overseer of poor	30 00	
		$905 00
Town Officers' Expenses:		
Clarke Press, town reports, 1949	$825 00	
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	33 46	
Division of Municipal Accounting, for audit	79 63	
Herman C. Miller, postage, etc.	20 26	
Edson C. Eastman Co., office supplies	2 17	
N. H. Assessors' As., assessors' dues for 1950	2 00	
Rodney G. Mills, rent of safety deposit box and postage	13 60	
F. H. Colburn & Co., officers' bonds and supplies	95 81	
Wheeler & Clark, dog tags	6 72	
U. S. Auto & Truck Guide, Clerk's guide book	6 00	
Donat Corriveau, recording deeds and mortgages	10 70	
N. H. Tax Collectors' As., tax collectors' dues	2 00	
Clarence C. Jones, mileage, dinners, telephone, postage & runing town lines	31 25	
Sargent Bros., supplies for tax collector	13 68	
Leon E. Hoyt, dinners, selectmen and road agent, running town lines	13 80	

Charles R. Hardy, town clerk dues	2 00	
Francis W. Abbott, running town lines	10 00	
		$1,168 08

Election and Registration:

William Basset Jr., services as supervisor	$24 00	
Arthur J. Miller, services as supervisor	24 00	
Rodney G. Mills, services as supervisor	24 00	
William R. Cole, election officer	8 00	
Vernon L. Phillips, services as moderator	15 00	
Cabinet Press, ballots and postage	12 34	
Edson C. Eastman Co., check lists	3 60	
S. Erma Jones, election officer	12 00	
Gladys Vadney, election officer: 1 meeting, 1949; 3 meetings, 1950	16 00	
C. Gladys St. John, election officer	12 00	
		$150 94

Forest Fires:

Victor L. White, expense forest fire meeting	$57 75	
Victor L. White, forest fire account	29 92	
Victor L. White, fire at Benson's	41 67	
Victor L. White, New Boston fire	78 69	
		$208 03

Town Hall:

Public Service Co. of N. H., lights for hall	$29 81	
Gladys C. Vadney, dishes for town hall kitchen	4 90	
William J. Dumais, repairs in town hall kitchen	12 90	
E. H. Edwards, repairs in Community room	183 39	
W. Allen Brown, exit light	16 50	
James A. Coffin, two fire extinguishers	44 00	
Arthur W. Lord, painting fire escape	67 52	
Clayton Foote, trucking wood	12 00	
Carl D. Abbott, wood	72 00	
Robert B. Fish, repairs in town hall kitchen	35 06	

Francestown Electric & Water Co., water bill	15 00	
Gladys C. Vadney, janitor service and supplies	36 65	
F. H. Colburn & Co., supplies	6 50	
		$536 23

Police Department:

Arthur J. Miller, duty at Genoa Stones care of tramps	$10 61	
Victor L. White, police duty	108 35	
		$118 96

Fire Department:

N. H. State Fireman's As., insurance	$32 00	
Public Service Co. of N. H., lights	17 15	
Arthur J. Miller, janitor service & labor	139 50	
Peterborough Hardware Co., supplies	3 50	
P. H. Saltmarsh, coal	115 81	
C. H. Cragin & Son, supplies	84 37	
Joe Thompson's Garage, welding	7 50	
Amoskeag Machine Co., supplies	5 00	
Seaman's Supply Co., supplies	9 12	
E. H. Edwards, patching roof	5 50	
I. H. Vadney, gasoline	12 81	
James A. Coffin, hose and supplies	324 03	
Victor L. White, repairs	36 90	
William Bowman, supplies	1 10	
Southwestern Transp., Co., express	1 30	
A. W. Therrien, supplies	20 00	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange Inc., coal	95 00	
F. H. Colburn & Co., supplies	33 21	
		$943 80

Blister Rust:

N. H. Forestry Dept., Blister Rust control	$400 00	
		$400 00

Bounties:

Clarence C. Jones, cash paid out for hedgehogs	$6 50	
Francies W. Abbott, cash paid out for hedgehogs	11 25	

Leon E. Hoyt, cash paid out for hedgehogs	6 75	
		$24 50
Damage by Dogs:		
George E. Kunhardt, Jr., sheep damage	$315 00	
Carl D. Abbott, sheep damage	10 00	
		$325 00
Town Dump:		
Harold A. Varnum, bulldozing	$47 50	
William Bowman, supplies	5 82	
Norman J. Stewart, burning dump	33 15	
		$86 47
Vital Statistics:		
Herman C. Miller, recording births, marriages and deaths	$10 00	
		$10 00
Insurance:		
Farm Bureau Automobile Insurance Co. Insurance on road equipment	$44 40	
F. H. Colburn & Co., liability insurance	70 69	
F. H. Colburn & Co., insurance on town help	153 24	
Levi M. Bixby, insurance on library & contents	60 30	
		$328 63
Highway Account:		
Thomas E. Bixby, summer account	$4,132 15	
Collector of Internal Revenue, summer account withholding tax	134 70	
		$4,266 85
Thomas E. Bixby, winter account	$1,758 82	
Collector of Internal revenue, winter account, withholding tax	21 40	
R. C. Hazelton, supplies	16 30	
Henry E. Worcester, breaking roads	50 75	
		$1,846 27
Thomas E. Bixby, gas money	$533 65	$533 65
Thomas E. Bixby, washout emergency money	615 68	

Collector of Internal revenue, withholding tax	2 57	
		$618 25
Trimount Bituminous Products Co., tarring Turnpike	$2,648 22	$2,648 22
General Highway Account:		
Paul C. Rockwood, bridge plank	226 59	
Thomas E. Bixby	189 93	
		$416 52
State Treasurer, T. R. A.		$754 63
Grand Total		$11,084 39
Street Lighting:		
Public Service Co. of N. H.	$594 00	$594 00
Libraries:		
George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library	$880 00	
George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library, special	225 00	
		$1,105 00
Old Age Assistance:		
State of N. H.	$1,236 21	$1,236 21
Town Poor:		
Esther Smith, supplies	18 00	
Otis Higgins, supplies	36 00	
		$54 00
Memorial Day:		
Arthur E. Holt, flags	$10 00	
		$10 00
Auto Permits:		
Herman C. Miller, auto permits	$139 50	
		$139 50
Care of Common:		
Arthur J. Miller, labor & cash paid	$94 90	
Cornish Machine Co., parts and repairs for mower	19 35	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange Inc. parts for mower	2 13	

I. H. Vadney, lumber & nails for scales	3 29	
C. H. Cragin & Son, repairs for mower	2 25	
		$121 92

Trust Funds:

Trustees of Trust Funds,		
Huntington Trust Fund	$100 00	
Forest Carson Trust Fund	100 00	
Solomon Atwood Trust Fund	50 00	
Fire Truck Fund	100 00	
		$350 00

Cemeteries:

Arthur E. Holt, labor	$148 77	
Arthur J. Miller, labor & cash paid	67 18	
Rodney G. Mills, labor	26 35	
Leo St. John, truck and labor	34 00	
Otis Higgins, labor	23 80	
		$300 10

Care of Town Clock:

Rodney G. Mills, care of clock	$13 00	
		$13 00

Taxes Bought by Town:

Rodney G. Mills, Tax Collector:

	Tax	Int.	Cost	Total
Alden R. Udall	$148 03	$4 38	$2 25	$154 66
Earl Hammond	15 28	66	2 25	18 19
Earl Chamberlain	12 42	53	2 25	15 20
Louise Brock	25 79	1 14	2 25	29 18
Charles Woodbury	38 20	1 68	2 25	42 13
Albert Bourgois	96	04	2 25	3 25
	$240 68	$8 43	$13 50	$262 61

Refunds:

Rodney G. Mills, overpayment to Treas. on 1948 Tax levy	$42 89	
Winifred Smith, overpayment to Tax Collector on 1946 Tax levy	5 79	
		$48 68

Interest:		
First National Bank of Peterborough, on long term notes	$166 08	
Souhegan National Bank, Milford, temporary loans	57 09	
		$223 17
Monadnock Region:		
Monadnock Region As., Advertising	$78 00	$78 00
Temporary Loans:		
Souhegan Nat'l Bank, temporary loans	$4,000 00	$4,000 00
Term Notes:		
First Nat'l Bank of Peterborough, long term notes	$2,000 00	2,000 00
County Tax:		
County Treas., County Tax	$4,204 60	4,204 60
School District:		
Lillian C. Stewart, school treas., 1949-1950 appropriation	$6,446 13	
Lillian C. Stewart & Bernice E. Miller, School Treas., 1950-51 appropriation	7,340 27	
		$13,786 40

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

Highway Report

Summer Highways

The work accomplished on summer highway money included fence posts and their erection; culverts and their installation; drilling and blasting of many of our most dangerous stones and ledges; erection and completion of one new bridge, and the planking of two others. Summer highway funds also included the usual work of dragging the roads in the spring, and graveling the worst places to give the taxpayer one way out of his home during the mud season. The grading of roads during the summer also comes under this appropriation.

Gas Tax

The gas tax money was used primarily to cut bushes and to remove the worst of these from the road sides.

Preparation and Tarring of Turnpike

The amount expended was used to get the road back into proper condition for tarring after the long open winter of 1949 and 1950. A road grader and operator were hired from Mont Vernon. The hand labor for picking rocks and sanding the two applications of tar was hired in town. A sand loader was hired from Greenfield in order to cover the fresh tar as quickly as possible. So far, on the new strip, we have had rather good results.

General Fund

The general fund is set up to buy material such as grader blades, salt, bridge planks and spikes.

Emergency Flood Money

This was necessary because of the cloud burst we had in November which washed out and plugged a great many of our roads and culverts in the north end of town. The damage was confined to this region, and the Bible Hill area, because of the rugged terraine in these sections. These roads are at present all passable except for the back hill to Hob and Nob.

Winter Highways

In spite of having to plow very seldom we have had to sand frequently and the cost is the same or more than that of plowing. The State graveled Dodge's Hill with an excessive amount of clay, causing trouble all this winter. It will have to be regraveled before spring to eliminate the mud.

Summary

If more money were appropriated by the town for highways we could repair and replace more culverts, fill more mud holes, grade the highways more frequently during the months of good weather, and get the roads into better condition for the winter months.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas E. Bixby, Road Agent

Summer Highway:

P. Abbott	$39 60
C. Abbott	12 95
Anchor Steel Co.	10 51

R. Baker	100 13	
L. M. Bixby	50 00	
T. Bixby and truck	1,374 15	
T. Bixby, Agent	56 05	
T. Bixby, horses	160 25	
W. Bowman	110 00	
W. Cole	1 28	
W. Champagne	125 73	
C. Cilley	1 28	
C. H. Cragin & Son	16 43	
N. H. Explosives	60 32	
J. Johns	48 30	
E. Hamel	48 30	
C. Foote	7 23	
R. C. Hazelton	198 56	
Hill Martin Corp.	5 72	
Granite State Asphalt	27 00	
Ed Johnson	20 83	
Mrs. Hickey	42 00	
C. Lord	22 70	
C. Mann	239 00	
J. J. Moreau & Son	20 50	
A. J. Miller	6 80	
S. Rainey	84 20	
P. Riddle	3 40	
State Forestry & Recreation Dept.	40 00	
C. Swanson	6 80	
Leo St. John	21 13	
G. St. John	205 27	
R. Smith	127 40	
Thompson's Garage	80 25	
D. Webster	6 80	
H. Varnum	44 40	
Income Tax	97 50	
		$3,522 77

Gas Tax:

R. Baker	$92 00	
T. Bixby and truck	267 50	
W. Champagne	46 25	
E. Holt (bushes)	189 00	
W. Lord	5 55	
Ray Road Equipment	20 85	
Income Tax	6 70	
		$627 85

Preparation for and Tarring Turnpike:

P. Abbott	$15 00	

T. Bixby, truck and driver	232 40	
T. Bixby, agent	76 00	
W. Champagne	25 55	
E. Hamel	15 25	
C. Champagne, Jr.	16 22	
W. Cole	17 05	
W. Cole and truck	3 00	
C. Hale, Jr.	5 10	
J. Johns	23 75	
Ed. Johnson	6 80	
N. Follansbee	11 00	
Town of Mt. Vernon (grader)	38 50	
C. Mann	68 00	
C. Lord	22 90	
G. St. John	46 18	
N. Stewart	8 50	
R. Smith	61 05	
C. Swanson	15 25	
Income Tax	30 50	
		$738 00

Emergency Flood Money:

W. Archibald	$30 00	
T. Bixby and truck	267 10	
W. Champagne	45 18	
C. Foote and truck	155 40	
M. Laro	18 70	
C. Mann	84 00	
N. Stewart	15 30	
Income Tax	2 57	
		$618 25

Winter Highway:

W. Basset	$96 00	
T. Bixby and truck	1,032 90	
W. Bowman	7 65	
W. Champagne	13 80	
R. Cilley	18 50	
W. Cole	24 00	
C. H. Cragin & Son	46	
C. Champagne	6 80	
F. H. Colburn	12 46	
O. Higgins	32 00	
Merrimack Farmers' Exch.	28 00	
Ed. Johnson	7 25	
C. Lord	152 60	
C. C. Jones	2 60	
C. Mann	47 00	

Hob & Nob Farm	98 00	
M. Laro	9 20	
S. Rainey	75 00	
R. Smith	26 50	
G. St. John	3 50	
N. Stewart	3 00	
H. Varnum	40 00	
I. H. Vadney	6 60	
H. Worcester	14 00	
Income Tax	26 20	
		$1,784 02

General:

Anchor Steel Co.	$41 99	
T. Bixby and truck	17 50	
Chemical Corp., salt	61 53	
W. Cole	5 95	
F. H. Colburn & Co.	33 96	
Ray Road Equipment	29 00	
Paul Rockwood, bridge plank	226 59	
		$416 52

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING

STATE TAX COMMISSION
Concord, New Hampshire

February 27, 1951

Board of Selectmen
Francestown, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of the annual audit and examination of the accounts of the Town of Francestown for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1950, which was made by this Division in accordance with the vote of the Town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report which is submitted herewith.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Trustees of Trust Funds and Library Treasurer.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Comparative Balance Sheets: Dec. 31, 1949-Dec. 31, 1950: (Exhibit A)

Comparative Balance Sheets as of December 31, 1949 and December 31, 1950, are presented in Exhibit A. As indicated therein, the Net Debt increased by $1,091.87 during 1950.

Analysis of Change in Financial Condition: (Exhibit B)

An analysis of the change in financial condition of the Town during the year is made in Exhibit B, with the factors which caused the change indicated therein. These were as follows:

Increases in Net Debt

Net Budget Deficit	$1,070 86	
Decrease in cash in hands of officials	9 51	
Long Term Notes Issued	2,000 00	
Increase in Accounts Payable	13 50	
		$3,093 87

Decreases in Net Debt

Long Term Notes Paid	$2,000 00	
Tax Collector's Excess Credit	2 00	
		$2,002 00
Net Increase		$1,091 87

Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures—Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibits C & D)

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1950, are presented in Exhibits C and D. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit D), a net overdraft of appropriations of $2,123.86, less a net revenue surplus of $1,053.00, resulted in a net budget deficit of $1,070.86.

Summary of Receipts and Expenditures: (Exhibit E)

A summary of Receipts and Expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1950, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit E. Proof of the Treasurer's balance as of December 31, 1950, is indicated in Exhibit F.

AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and payrolls as well as entries in the books of record. Receipts were checked by source insofar as possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depository banks. Verification of uncollected taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the Collector's records.

Tax Collector:

The Collector should make a separate remittance to the Treasurer covering funds on hand on December 31, 1950, representing tax collections and redemptions from tax sales, as follows:

	Levy of 1950	Levy of 1949	Levy of 1948	Levy of 1941
Property Taxes	$138 38	$23 67	$4 76	
Poll Taxes		4 00		
Interest		38		
Redemption from Tax Sale				$39 86
	$138 38	$28 05	$4 76	$39 86

The Collector should remit to the Treasurer all funds in his hands before the fiscal year closes and it is recommended that this practice be followed in the future.

Your attention is again called to the small uncollected balances of taxes on the warrants for the levies prior to 1947.

(Exhibit H). Inasmuch as there appears to have been no activity in these accounts during 1950, it would seem that such taxes were probably uncollectible and should be abated.

It is also noted that there still remain unredeemed taxes from tax sales on account of the levies of 1947 and prior years as follows:

1947	$27 96
1946	33 61
1943	153 91
1942	9 76
1941	10 72
Prior Years	140 19
	$376 15

Inasmuch as the two year redemption period has expired on these unredeemed taxes, the Collector should make out tax deeds to the Town at once for all of the properties which are represented therein.

Conclusion:

The provisions of Section 31, Chapter 211, of the Laws of 1939, require that this report or a summary of its essential features shall be published in the next annual town report.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Francestown for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,
HAROLD G. FOWLER, Director
Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission

C. David Sullivan, Auditor
John T. Flanders, Accountant

Certificate of Audit

This is to certify that we have audited the accounts and records of the Town of Francestown for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1950; and, subject to exceptions as noted in the report, found them to be in good order. In our opinion the Exhibits included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the Town as of December 31, 1950, together with the results of operations for the period under review.

Respectfully submitted,
HAROLD G. FOWLER, Director
Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission

February 27, 1951

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GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Budget 1951-52

	1950-51	1951-52
Librarian's Salary (and / or assistant)	$300 00	$400 00
Janitor	40 00	
Cleaning	70 00	
Books	250 00	350 00
Magazines	60 00	60 00
Fuel	50 00	200 00
Supplies	10 00	
New equipment	50 00	
Repairs	50 00	30 00
	$880 00	$1,040 00
Special Appropriations:		
Storm windows	$100 00	
Insulation	125 00	
	$1,105 00	$1,040 00
Anticipated credit (sale of wood)		30 00
		$1,010 00

Paul T. Bradbury
Henry B. Hill
Alice M. Hall, Trustees

GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Financial Report 1950

Bank Balance 1/1/50	$359 79	
Receipts:		
Town appropriation	$1,105 00	
Mary Manning Fund	25 62	
A. B. Hill Fund	37 50	
Benefit Bridge	158 15	
Improvement Society	66 05	
		$1,752 21
Expenditures:		
Librarian's Salary	$265 00	

Books	534 49	
Fuel	172 53	
Magazines	79 75	
Cleaning	13 50	
Supplies	25 50	
New Equipment	3 56	
Repair to door	82 53	
Insulation material	91 24	
Janitor	1 70	
Postage	4 39	
Bank service charge	2 45	
		$1,276 24
Bank Balance 12/31/50		$475 77
		$1,752 21

PAUL T. BRADBURY
HENRY B. HILL
ALICE M. HALL, Trustees

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

January 1, 1950 to January 1, 1951

Fine money:		
Received from gifts	$9 00	
Received from junk	11 40	
Received from fines	29 88	
Total Receipts		$50 28
Paid for:		
Eleven books	$18 60	
Postage	9 44	
Supplies	20 58	
Paid rebate, P. Bradbury	1 00	
Total expenditures		$49 62
Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1951		66

Books circulated during the year:

Fiction	1,843
Non-fiction	1,303
Juvenile	4,831

Total books	7,977
Magazines	2,314
Total circulation	10,291

Magazines subscribed to by the Library:

American Home, Better Homes and Gardens, Children's Activities, Cosmopolitan, Good Housekeeping, Ladies' Home Journal, Open Road for Boys, American Girl, Reader's Digest, Popular Science, Popular Mechanics, Saturday Evening Post, Science News Letter, Life, Time, National Geographic, Yankee, Antiques, Story Parade.

Gift subscriptions:

Our Dumb Animals, Mrs. Packer; Jack and Jill, Miss Rand; Troubadour, State Development Commission.

Many books and magazines were given by the following persons:

Mrs. Trow, Eunice Patch, Mrs. Cleaves, Bette Murphy, Nancy Bowman, John Stewart, Thomas Curren, Judy Mace, Miss McKinlay, Mr. Bourne, Mrs. Park, Mrs. Langmaid, Thomas Hill, Mrs. McGreal, Stephanie Creighton, Miss Rand, Wayne Robinson, Mrs. Horton, Mrs. Emma Place, Charles Black, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Wright, Miss McLeod, Mrs. D'Olive, Mrs. Leonard, Miss Hall, Mr. Gray, W. A. Lord, Mrs. Mundy.

Through State Aid we received the World Book Encyclopedia and 85 other books, mostly for children. The annual card party, in the hands of Mrs. McAdam and a large committee broke the records and made it possible to buy 93 books. Thanks to the Improvement Society, and the Doll Fund sponsored by Prof. Hill, we were able to add 47 books to our collection. With the twenty dollars again given for special books we bought three more fine books for the art collection.

As usual, many voluntary improvements have been made during the year: new shelves were put in the supply closet, the lumber provided by W. A. Lord, and the work done by Thomas Place and Arthur Lord. Mrs. Brous repainted the Library sign, and Mr. Soule painted the back door; he also performed wonders around the badly neglected barbary hedge.

In connection with the Girl Scout projects on graphic arts, the group was taken to the Currier Art Gallery in Manchester to hear an illustrated talk on block printing by Mr. Chandler.

At the Library Mrs. Brous gave a most interesting demonstration-talk on jewelry making to the entire school. Some fine pieces of her own work were included in the annual art exhibit at the end of the summer. This exhibition also contained foreign

objects of art lent by Evelyn Vadney and Mrs. Nickrose; draperies designed by Rosamond Langmaid; copper ware by Mrs. Henry Hill and Mrs. McAdam, decorated tray by Mrs. Lela Place; paintings and drawings by Miss Hirst, Patricia Place, Mrs. Bosworth, Sheila Hoffman, Dariel Peterson, Mrs. Kunhardt. Mrs. Kunhardt and Mrs. Bosworth won first and second prizes at an exhibit in Hillsboro; later, their work, with paintings by Mrs. Brous, was shown at the Nashua Library.

Mrs. Burke and Miss Wright have used the Historical Rooms for special classes that were studying local history, and Mr. Thomas met at the Library with the older children, Selectmen and Town History Committee to discuss the names of old town roads for the signs which they have made and put up.

During the year, 238 books were borrowed from the State Library and the Bookmobile comes every three months. We are receiving State Aid this year, but still fall far short of the books we need. The circulation of books and magazines has nearly doubled in the past three years. The number of school children is constantly increasing so that we are giving an extra hour on Wednesdays in order to accommodate two large groups. They will be larger next year. The older children continue to help most efficiently and often give their services on other days also, not only at the desk, but in such unlovely tasks as unloading the attic of old books in preparation for the new insulation.

In many places books are purchased for libraries instead of flowers for deceased friends; this is a growing custom and if anyone wishes to do this here, suitable book plates will be provided. Memorial books are usually bought with the special interests of the deceased in mind.

Respectfully submitted,
CAROLINE M. LORD, Librarian

PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, N. H.

1. The Town of Francestown, in pursuance of the authority conferred by Chapters 51 and 53 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942 and any amendments, hereby adopts the following Zoning Ordinance.

2. The Town shall be divided into two zones:

The Village Zone shall be from the junction of the Bennington Road and the Pleasant Pond Road south to the Old Meeting House, thence northeasterly on the Poor Farm Road to the bridge over the South Branch of the Piscataquog River, easterly from the Old Meeting House to the Mill Village Bridge, southerly from the Old Meeting House to a point on the Second New Hampshire Turnpike where Potash Road joins said Turnpike, southeasterly on the Greenfield Road to a point where the Old County Road joins said Greenfield Road, and from the junction of the Bennington Road and the Oak Hill Road northwesterly for a distance of 1500 feet on the Oak Hill Road, and for a distance of 300 feet on each side of the center line of each road.

The Rural Zone shall consist of the remainder of the geographical area of the Town.

3. Within said Zones no person or persons shall erect or place a building for the use of human habitation, permanent or temporary, or for a commercial enterprise without first obtaining a permit to be issued by the Board of Selectmen. The Board of Selectmen, when granting or denying this permit, shall consider the preservation of the attractiveness of the Town, its desirability as a place in which to live and do business, the safeguarding of health, welfare, morals, convenience and safety of its citizens, and an orderly growth in the future.

4. The Selectmen shall publicly post a copy of the permit for 14 days before said permit becomes valid.

5. The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Board of Adjustment conforming in membership and duties to the provisions of Chapter 51, Sections 56 to 71, of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and any amendments thereto.

6. No junk yard or place for the storage of discarded machinery, vehicles, or other materials shall be established in any part of the Town.

7. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to prevent the continuance of any existing use of land or buildings.

8. This ordinance may be amended by a majority vote of any legal town meeting when such amendment is published in the warrant calling for the meeting and when such amendment has received a public hearing which has been advertised and given a fifteen-day notice.

9. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

FRANCESTOWN IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY

During 1950 the Francestown Improvement Society made a major move, which we hope will mean much to the young people of the Town. The triangular area between the Greenfield Road and the old County Road was purchased for use as a ball field and playground. This was the result of the suggestion and recommendation of the Boys' Club. There is a large open area on it which seemed very suitable, both in size and in proximity to the center of the Town. It had many large rocks and boulders, which were removed by a group of volunteers, under the leadership of the Boys' Club, who spent many long hours clearing them out. When grading is completed, it will make a fine baseball field. The Society will own it, but gives the use of it for sports to the residents of the Town.

In addition, considerable work was done in tightening up the old Creamery Dam so that the water supply would be adequate for fire protection in the northerly part of the village.

Our one source of revenue, aside from dues, is the Labor Day Carnival. There was a gamble on the weather this year, as it was raining the night before and in the morning. However, the skies cleared in time so that the parade was very successful, with some excellent floats and entries, which showed imagination and were the fruit of much labor. The theme was "Mother Goose Rhymes" and many were represented. The booths were filled with offerings and did a thriving business, and the Scotch Auction was very popular. The Peterborough Band led the parade and gave a concert thereafter in front of the Town Hall. The entertainment for the children was a puppet show, which they enjoyed greatly. The firemen served a supper in the Town Hall, and the Grand Ball was square dancing with Ralph Page and his orchestra.

It was through the cooperation of many people in Town that the Carnival was a success. Working together for such a purpose means a great deal to Francestown. From the proceeds this year, the property for the playground was paid for, and money was appropriated for the Red Cross, Community Christmas, Historical Society, new books for library, refinishing World War II memorial, upkeep of Common, and repairs to dam.

Future success will depend on everyone taking part and backing up the leadership which the Improvement Society tries to give.

Carl G. Freese, President
William MacAdam, Vice President
Robert C. Cutter, Treasurer
Winifred Rand, Secretary

REPORT OF TOWN HISTORY COMMITTEE

The committee has been unable to meet regularly this year but continues to collect items of value, and has bought a steel filing cabinet which seems more practical than a safe; the cabinet and supplies cost $52.31. It is in the Library Building.

We would like, if possible, to publish soon in pamphlet form, such diaries and letters as are available, of any period.

Respectfully submitted,
CAROLINE M. LORD, Chairman

WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST CONTROL

Financial Statement, 1950, Town of Francestown

EXPENDITURES

Town funds		$293 45
State and Federal Funds:		
Eradication	$188 15	
Mapping*	164 81	
		$352 96
Total expenditures		$646 41
Received from town	$400 00	
Expended from town funds	293 45	
Balance in town funds		$106 55

Area covered	2,023 acres
Current and gooseberry bushes destroyed	2,677
Area discontinued from control	875 acres

The balance in town funds will be held here to be expended next year, unless otherwise directed.

*Cooperative expenditure in making detailed maps of the control area.

Land area of town	18,516 acres
Present control area	16,458 acres

SCHOOL REPORT

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

		Term Expires
Moderator	Rev. Vernon Lee Phillips	March 1951
Clerk	Mrs. Richard Miller	March 1951
Treasurer	Mrs. Richard Miller	June 1951
Truant Officer	Mr. Harold Varnum	March 1951
Auditor	Mr. Leon Hoyt	March 1951

School Board

Mr. Harold Varnum, Chairman and Secretary	March 1951
Mrs. Winifred Hoyt	March 1952
Mrs. C. Gladys St. John	March 1953

Superintendent

Mr. Newell J. Paire, Wilton, N. H.

Teaching Staff for 1950-51

Grammar: Mr. Alfred Thomas, Principal
Primary: Mrs. Gladys Burke
Music: Miss Ethelyn G. Edwards

School Nurse

Mrs. Ola Myhaver, R. N.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1950-51:

January 2 to February 16	7 weeks
February 26 to April 20	8 weeks
April 30 to June 15	7 weeks

Holiday: May 30

1951-52:

School opens Sept. 5, 1951—Closes Nov. 21
School opens Nov. 26 —Closes Dec. 21
School opens Jan. 2, 1952 —Closes Feb. 15
School opens Feb. 25 —Closes April 18
School opens April 29 —Closes June 13

Holidays: Nov. 12, 1951 Armistice Day
April 28, 1952 Fast Day
May 30, 1952 Memorial Day

Teachers' Convention Oct. 18-19

February vacation dates subject to change.

Total number School weeks 38

Total number School days 180

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Francestown qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 10th day of March 1951, at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.

6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

Given under our hands at said Francestown this 14th day of February 1951.

HAROLD A. VARNUM
WINNIFRED C. HOYT
C. GLADYS ST. JOHN
School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HAROLD A. VARNUM
WINNIFRED C. HOYT
C. GLADYS ST. JOHN
School Board

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL

For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1949 and Ending June 30, 1950

Summary

A. Administration:	
1. Salaries of district officers	$135 60
2. Supt.'s salary (local share)	283 11
3. Tax for state wide supervision	130 00
4. Salaries of other administrative personnel	12 00
5. Supplies and expenses	241 68
B. Instruction:	
6. Teachers' salaries	5,150 00
7. Textbooks & other instructional aids	268 83
8. Scholars' supplies	237 01
10. Supplies and other expenses	11 43
C. Operation of School Plant:	
11. Salaries of janitors	406 50
12. Fuel or heat	376 92
13. Water, light, supplies & expenses	170 03
D. Maintenance of School Plant:	
14. Repairs and Replacements	335 38
E. Auxiliary Activities:	
15. Health Supervision	177 51
16. Transportation	1,991 60
17. Tuition	2,360 89
18. Special activities & special funds	165 09
F. Fixed Charges:	
19. Retirement	201 80
20. Insurance, treas. bonds & expenses	168 00
G. Capital Outlay:	
21. Lands & new buildings, Playground	585 78
22. Additions & improvements to bldgs.	128 04

H. Debt and Interest:		
25. Principal of debt	500 00	
26. Interest on debt	118 75	
Total Payments for all Purposes	$14,155 65	
Cash on hand at end of year June 30, 1950	159 66	
Grand Total		$14,315 31

RECEIPTS

Federal Aid:		
National School Lunch	$50 15	
State Aid:		
Equalization and Emergency	1,232 93	
Local Taxation:		
Current Appropriation	11,955 86	
Special Appropriation	840 27	
Other Sources:		
Elementary School Tuitions	129 70	
Other	106 40	
Grand Total		$14,315 31

Respectfully submitted,
HAROLD VARNUM
WINIFRED HOYT
C. GLADYS ST. JOHN

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the School Board of Francestown of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

LEON E. HOYT, Auditor

July 12, 1950.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS

A. Administration:

1. Salaries of District Officers:		
C. Gladys St. John	$48 00	
Harold A. Varnum	30 00	
Winifred C. Hoyt	30 00	
Lillian C. Stewart	27 60	
		$135 60
2. Supt.'s Salary (local share)		
John G. Tracy, Treas. Supervisory Union No. 63	$283 11	
3. Tax for State Wide Supervision:		
G. Gordon Kimball, State Treasurer		$130 00
4. Salaries of other Administrative Personnel:		
C. Gladys St. John		$12 00
5. Supplies and other Expenses:		
John G. Tracy, Treas. Supervisory Union No. 63	$202 36	
C. Gladys St. John	4 50	
Lillian C. Stewart	9 60	
G. A. Reynolds	4 00	
J. L. Hammett	93	
Edson C. Eastman Co., Inc.	20 29	
		$241 68

B. Instruction:

6. Principal's and Teachers' Salaries:		
Alfred W. Thomas	$2,214 00	
Gladys W. Burke	1,890 00	
Ethelyn G. Edwards	240 00	
Collector of Internal Revenue	608 00	
Teachers' Retirement	198 00	
		$5,150 00

7. Books and Other Instructional Aids:	
Row, Peterson & Co.	$25 58
Scott, Foresman & Co.	39 40
Rand, McNally & Co.	53 03
Beckley-Cardy Co.	3 95
American Book Co.	18 15
Allyn & Bacon	8 88
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	34 31
Noble and Noble, Publishers	71
Rufus S. Nichols	25
J. L. Hammett Co.	11 08
Edward E. Babb & Co.	1 25
Henry S. Wolkins Co.	70

Junior Scholastic	9 00	
Estate of James P. Melzer	6 00	
American Education Press	20 50	
The L. W. Singer Co.	19 26	
Rodeheaver Hall Machine Co.	11 20	
Rice Film Co.	5 28	
		$268 53

8. Scholars' Supplies:

J. L. Hammett Co.	$17 11	
Edward E. Babb Co.	30 60	
Row, Peterson & Co.	6 37	
Henry S. Wolkins Co.	31 59	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	35 23	
Rand, McNally Co.	13 45	
Cascade Paper Co.	69 81	
Ginn & Co.	5 13	
The L. W. Singer Co.	6 05	
Allyn & Bacon	14 01	
Continental Press	6 41	
Bostitch Northeast, Inc.	1 25	
		$237 01

10. Supplies and Other Expenses:

Houghton Mifflin Co.	$11 43	$11 43

C. Operation of School Plant:

11. Janitor Salaries:

Richard Miller	$361 50	
A. J. Miller	5 00	
C. Gladys St. John	40 00	
		$406 50

12. Fuel

Draper Fuel Company		$376 92

13. Water, Light & Janitor Supplies:

F. H. Colburn Co.	$9 04	
West Company	44 15	
C. M. Rice Paper Co.	4 05	
Wilton School District	3 45	
J. L. Hammett Co.	5 75	
Public Service Co.	68 13	
Francestown Elec. & Water Co.	30 77	
Joslin Hardware Co.	80	
I. H. Vadney	3 89	
		$170 03

D. Maintenance of School Plant:

Repairs and Replacements:

14. W. A. Creighton	$85 00	
Donald E. Hoyt	45 00	
Carl K. Stimson	183 91	
Wm. L. Nutting Co.	7 00	
Richard Miller	14 47	
		$335 38

E. Auxiliary Activities:

15. Health Supervision:		
Mrs. Ola Myhaver, R. N.	$175 00	
Clukay Pharmacy	2 51	
		$177 51
16. Transportation:		
Arthur W. Lord	$1,161 60	
Yvonne Creighton	528 00	
Franklin Hadley	163 00	
Charles T. Colburn	139 00	
		$1,991 60
17. Tuition:		
New Boston School District	$949 34	
Peterborough School District	1,051 55	
Hancock Educational Association	360 00	
		$2,360 89
18. Other Special Activities & Special Funds:		
F. H. Colburn Co.	$3 00	
Thompson & Hoague	16 78	
Philip Morris & Co.	23 95	
American Book Co.	36 39	
Alfred W. Thomas	5 00	
Hob & Nob Farm	50 15	
J. L. Hammett Co.	5 92	
University of N. H.	23 30	
Otis Wakefield	60	
		$165 09

F. Fixed Charges:

19. Teachers' Retirement Board		$201 80
20. Insurance		
F. H. Colburn Co.	$84 00	
Levi M. Bixby	84 00	
		$168 00

G. Capital Outlay:

22. Additions and Improvements		
Charles F. Mann	$360 00	
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange	11 50	
Noble R. Pearson	24 00	
H. D. Varnum	100 22	
F. H. Colburn	2 66	
Monadnock Lumber Co.	87 40	
		$585 78
23. New Equipment:		
Richard Miller	$65 00	
Derby's Dept. Store	45 00	
Rand, McNally Co.	16 36	
J. L. Hammett & Co.	1 26	
Rufus S. Nichols	42	
		$128 04
H. Debt and Interest:		
25. Principal of Debt		
Souhegan National Bank		$500 00
26. Interest on debt		
Souhegan National Bank		118 75
Total Payments		$14,155 65
Cash on hand June 30, 1950		159 66
Grand Total		$14,315 31

Respectfully submitted,
HAROLD A. VARNUM
WINNIFRED C. HOYT
C. GLADYS ST. JOHN
School Board

ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1950

Summary

Cash on hand June 30, 1949		nil
Received from Selectmen:		
Appropriation for current year	12,455 86	
Deficiency approp.	340 27	
Received from State Treasurer:		
State Aid	1,232 93	
School Lunch	50 15	
Received from all other sources:		
Sale of desks	11 00	
Tuition	129 70	
P. T. A.	87 40	
Boys' Club	8 00	
Total amount available for fiscal year		$14,315 31
Less School Board orders paid		$14,155 65
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1950		$159 66

Lillian C. Stewart
District Treasurer

July 6, 1950.

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Francestown, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950 and find them correct in all respects.

Leon Hoyt, Auditor

July 12, 1950.

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR THE YEAR

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public school and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1951 and comparative analysis of expenditures.

	Actually Received and Expended 1949-50	Budgeted 1950-51	Estimated Budget 1951-52
A. Administration:			
1. Salaries of District Officers	$135 60	$140 60	$140 60
2. Supt.'s Salary (local share)	283 11	316 00	380 25
3. Tax for state wide supervision	130 00	154 00	152 00
4. Salaries of other admn. personnel	12 00	221 00	258 83
5. Supplies and expenses	241 68	13 00	31 00
B. Instruction:			
6. Teachers' Salaries	5,150 00	5,350 00	5,775 00
7. Textbooks & other instru. aids	268 83	270 00	220 00
8. Scholars' supplies	237 01	346 00	351 00
10. Other Instructional Expenses:	11 43	58 00	69 00
C. Operation of School Plant:			
11. Salary of Janitor	406 50	450 00	500 00
12. Fuel or heat	376 92	375 00	400 00
13. Water, light and other expenses	170 03	175 00	220 00
D. Maintenance of School Plant:			
14. Repairs and Replacements	335 38	270 00	715 00
E. Auxiliary Activities:			
15. Health Supervision	177 51	190 00	235 00
16. Transportation	1,991 60	2,100 00	2,100 00
17. Tuition	2,360 00	4,170 00	4,950 00
18. Special Fund Activities	165 09	45 00	45 00
F. Fixed Charges:			
19. Teachers' Retirement	201 80	258 00	366 00
20. Insurances, Bonds & Expenses	168 00	240 00	296 00
G. Capital Outlay:			
21. Land and New Buildings	585 78		
22. Additions and Improvements	128 04		
23. New Equipment			200 00
H. Debt and Interest:			
25. Payments on Principal	500 00	500 00	500 00
26. Payments of Interest	118 75	107 00	93 75
27. Deficiency Appropriation		340 27	
Total Amount Required to meet School Board's Budget	$14,155 65	$16,088 87	$17,998 43

Income Received:			
Local Taxation	$12,455 86		
Deficiency Appropriation	340 27		
State Aid	1,232 93		
National School Lunch	50 15		
Other	236 10		
Total	$14,315 31		
Estimated Income of District:			
Balance on hand June 30, 1950			$159 66
State Aid		735 73	
Elementary School Tuitions		150 00	540 00
Total		$885 73	$699 66
Total Amount Expended	14,155 65		
Balance	$159 66		
Total Assessment Required to meet School Board's Budget		$15,203 14	$17,298 77

Respectfully submitted,
HAROLD VARNUM
WINIFRED HOYT
C. GLADYS ST. JOHN
School Board

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

To the School Board and Citizens of Francestown:

I respectfully submit my fourth annual report as your Superintendent of Schools.

Instruction

The Francestown School under the able instruction of Mr. Alfred Thomas and Mrs. Gladys Burke, assisted by Miss Ethelyn G. Edwards, the music supervisor, is continuing to show progress. Definite stress is being placed on the fundamental tools of learning, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic and Language Arts, complemented by the essentials to successful living as health, science, social understanding, appreciation of music and an ability to competently live in a democractic society. The children are learning about, and actively expressing an interest in, their community. This was very forcefully brought out by the "sign project," directed by Mr. Thomas. It was of distinct advantage to the town and has received much favorable comment. The type of work done in the Francestown School was recognized by Keene Teachers College, when they petitioned the Francestown School Board to permit a cadet teacher, Miss Norma Wright, to receive instruction in teaching in our school.

School Lunch Program

Our new school lunch program has contributed a great deal to our school by giving the children an opportunity to accept responsibilities and discharge duties that contribute to the general welfare of all. It is being very capably managed by Mrs. St. John, assisted by Mrs. Hoyt. This activity, and the manner in which it was developed, warrants great commendation for all those who took part in it.

Health Supervision

Mrs. Ola Myhaver, has very capably carried out her duties as School Nurse. Every effort has been made to keep the parents informed of any difficulties that have arisen relative to the health of their children. The excellent cooperation given her by the parents and various organizations in town has made it possible to keep the health standards high in our school. For details of her work I refer you to the Report of School Nurse.

Playground Facilities

The playground area, as improved by the men of the town a year ago, has made available to the children, an excellent space

for large recreational activities, and is quite adequate for softball, baseball, etc. However, the facilities for the younger children are decidedly limited. We presently have, one old set of swings, which are in constant use, but in poor condition. I would like to recommend that in the near future some consideration be given either by the School District or some interested group, to the establishment of a plan whereby one piece of equipment be added to our playground each year. The equipment, in order of importance, might be a set of swings, a set of see-saws and a wave slide.

Improvement to Building

The time has come, or is rapidly approaching, when some consideration should be given to repainting the school building. Our school building is now ten years old, and in that time three sides have received no attention, consequently they are weathering badly. Provisions have been made in this year's budget to have this done. The classrooms also need some attention. Provisions have been made to paint and varnish the primary room and library adjacent to it. In two year's time the whole interior could be completely re-decorated at a nominal cost. The entrance hall and boys' and girls' lavatories were done a year ago.

Transportation

Our bus routes are operating well and it is planned to continue the routes as laid out this year with perhaps minor changes. It is hoped that we can operate on the same budget for transportation for 1951-52 as for this year.

Finance

Every effort is being made to offer our young people an adequate education as economically as possible. The budget as submitted for 1951-52 provides for only actual necessities. An analysis of the School Board's budget shows that the larger increases are due to tuitions, teachers' retirement, repairs, equipment and teachers' salaries. We have no control over the tuitions or teacher retirement. The first is set by the receiving districts and as our number of pupils attending high school increase, so will our tuition. This figure is controlled by the average per pupil cost for the State of New Hampshire. In 1949-50 this was $252.04 for high school pupils. Tuition to Peterborough in 1951-52 will be $250 per pupil; Hancock's tuition will be $225 and New Boston's $225. The district's contribution to the State Teachers' Retirement System is set by statute at 6.09% of the gross teachers' salaries. All other increases are the result of increased enrollment, needed repairs, and the general increase in the cost of living reflected by the present economic conditions of the Nation.

State Aid

The status of State Aid is uncertain, and dependent upon the attitude of the present Legislature toward State Aid to Education. The new bill does not provide for any State Aid for Francestown, consequently the School Board made no estimate of income from this source. Much publicity has been given to this bill, thus it is not felt necessary to go into details in this report.

Conclusion

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Francestown, the Parent-Teachers' Association, the local Chapter of the American Red Cross, the Grange, and all other organizations who have assisted the teachers and me in our endeavor to provide a sound educational program for the children of Francestown. I especially wish to thank the Francestown School Board for the excellent cooperation and help they have given me.

Newell J. Paire
Superintendent of Schools

STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING
June 30, 1950

Enrollment

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	10	14	2	11					37
Grammar					11	5	7	3	26
									63

Attending Schools Elsewhere:

New Boston, N. H.	6
Peterborough, N. H.	8
Hancock, N. H.	2

Attendance

School	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent of Attendance	Tardiness Total	Tardiness Per Pupil
Primary	35.34	33.15	93.00	15	.40
Grammar	24.70	23.51	95.00	24	.92

Visits:

By School Board	4
By Superintendent	50
By Citizens	264

Roll of Perfect Attendance

One Year: Vernon Lee Phillips, Richard Putnam, James Champagne, Andrew Clark, Wayne Robinson, Eileen Stearns

Statistics for First Eighteen Weeks 1950-51

Census: (Ages 1 day—18 yrs.) Boys: 73; Girls: 42, Total 115

Attending Francestown Schools	57
Attending private school in Newton, Mass.	1
Attending private school in Pennsylvania	1
Attending Hancock High School	2
Attending New Boston High School	4
Attending Peterborough High School	11

Enrollment by Grades

School	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	6	9	15	3					33
Grammar					11	12	5	8	36
									69

Attendance

School	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent of Attendance	Total Tardiness
Primary		32.44	31.38	96.00
Grammar		34.94	34.06	99.10

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

The following is the Health Inspection report for the children of Francestown for the school year beginning Sept. 1949 and ending June 1950:

I.	Number of visits to school	21
II.	The First Aid cabinet has been checked and replenished	
III.	Number of children inspected	120
	Number of children having vision tests	60
	Number of children vaccinated	58
	Number of children having hearing tests	59
	Number of children vaccinated 3 times unsuccessfuly	2
IV.	Number of children weighed and measured	180
	Sept. 10% below average weight	5
	20% over average weight	2
	June 10% below average weight	5
	20% over average weight	3

A record of heights and weights has been placed on the Class Room Physical Growth Charts.

V.	Defects found:	
	Teeth	36
	Enlarged tonsils:	
	(a) should check with own doctor 7	
	(b) should check with own doctor if bothered in any way 9	16
	Vision	14
	Hearing	1
	Pediculosis	3
	Speech	2
	Orthopedic	1
VI.	Corrections:	
	Children having dental care by own dentist	20
	Other children having dental corrections	14
	Children having tonsils removed	4
	Pediculosis treated	3
	Orthopedic treatment	1
	Children having eyes examined and glasses fitted	2
	Children having eyes examined and glasses refitted	3
	Children having eyes examined & glasses not necessary	3
	Children having eyes examined and vision improved	6

A. At Clinics:

a. Special physical examinations 3

b. Tuberculosis Patch Test and X-Rays 3

c. X-Ray of foot 1

d. Dental, by Dr. C. Temple Lawrence, Peterborough, N. H. Number of children examined and treated 16
Dates of clinics Oct. 26, Nov. 16, 30; Dec. 7, 12, 14 and Jan. 25, 1950.
Sponsored by local Board of Education, American Red Cross, Parent-Teachers Association and Visitor for Aid to Dependent Children's Society.

e. Eye—by Dr. Provost, Manchester, N. H.
Number of children examined and treated 3
Date of clinic—Jan. 16, 1950.
Sponsored by Visitor for Aid to Dependent Children's Society.

f. Fluorine Project: Government, at Milford, N. H.
Number of children examined and treated 53
Dates of clinic, Feb. 2, 8, 13 and 15, 1950.
Sponsored by the Director of Dental Hygiene of the State Department of Health, the local Board of Education, the local American Red Cross and Parent Teachers' Association. Transportation for these services was provided by parents and other people of the community through organizations.

VII. Communicable Diseases:

Children excluded or out of school on account of communicable diseases 5
The School Health Department has complied with the State Department of Health regarding exclusions from school on account of communicable diseases.

VIII. Pre-School Clinic was held at Francestown School, May 16, 1950:

Inspection of Pre-School children	5
Parents or representative present	3
Vision tests	5
Hearing tests	5
Heights and weights	5
Defective temporary teeth	1
Enlarged tonsils	3
Vaccinated	2
To be vaccinated	3

IX. A Health record is on file for each child.

At this time the school nurse wishes to thank the local American Red Cross and the Parent-Teachers Association for their help and to express her appreciation to the Superintendent of Schools and Board of Education, the Principal and teachers, the visitor for Aid to Dependent Children's Society, to parents and others who furnished transportation to clinics and to all who assisted in the Health Program of the Francestown School.

Respectfully submitted,
OLA H. MYHAVER, R. N.
School Nurse

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN:

We, the Board of Education, of Francestown, would like to express our deep appreciation and thanks to the Parent-Teachers Association, and the many individuals in Francestown, who have contributed so much in time and effort, to set up the School Lunch Program. This project has been discussed for several years, but it could not have been realized without the generous support given it by all. It was so much a community affair that it would be difficult to single out individuals for commendation, even though there were some who contributed more time to it, than others.

The program is working well and it has been commended highly by Miss Ruth Cutter, State Supervisor of School Lunches for the State of New Hampshire. It was labeled as "one of the best in the State."

Again we wish to thank everyone who took part in this project.

Respectfully submitted,
HAROLD VARNUM
WINIFRED HOYT
C. GLADYS ST. JOHN
School Board

TRUST FUNDS

Report of the Trust Funds, Town of Francestown, N. H. Year Ending December 31, 1950

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund and Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance of Income on hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income at end of Year
1852	Levi Woodbury Education al Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	$1,000 00	2½%	$34 10	$25 78	$18 66	$41 22
1856	Jennie Bradford Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	351 70	2½%	91 96	11 12	8 00	95 08
1909	Ebenezer Pettee Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	23 99	3 09	2 00	25 08
1913	Richard Stanley Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	18 17	2 96	1 00	20 13
1915	William Boyd Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	150 00	2½%	41 14	4 79	2 00	43 93
1916	Issacher Dodge Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	50 00	2½%	5 81	1 38	1 00	6 19
1916	Ephraim & Charles Morgan Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	16 22	2 91	1 00	18 13
1916	Mary C. Abbott Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	75 00	2½%	8 27	2 08	1 00	9 35
1916	Mary A. Bixby Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	13 01	2 83	1 00	14 84
1917	Nancy M. Danforth Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	12 37	2 81	1 00	14 18
1917	Maria H. Balch Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	200 00	2½%	39 10	5 98	5 00	40 08
1918	Almeda Felch Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	17 48	2 93	1 00	19 41
1918	Daniel Ordway Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	50 00	2½%	7 14	1 42	1 00	7 56
1920	Jessie F. Osborne Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	16 84	2 92	1 00	18 76
1921	Henry H. Lynch Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	13 20	2 83	1 00	15 03
1922	Mary D. Roper Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	300 00	2½%	24 15	8 14	2 00	30 29
1922	L. Ann Weston Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00	2½%	7 31	1 43	1 00	7 74
1922	Eva M. Farmer Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	13 02	2 83	1 00	14 85
1923	Daniel W. Duncklee Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	75 00	2½%	5 78	2 01	1 00	6 79
1924	Unknown Dead Memorial Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00	2½%	3 74	1 33	1 00	4 07
1925	Moses Jellison Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	13 89	2 84	1 00	15 73
1925	Mark Dean Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00	2½%	6 55	1 41	1 00	6 96
1925	Reuber Sawyer & Mark Garvin Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	12 83	2 82	1 00	14 65
1927	George F. Holt Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	200 00	2½%	42 42	6 08	2 00	46 50
1927	Clara Dean Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	15 03	2 89	1 00	16 92
1928	Vilana A. Clark Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	18 84	2 98	1 00	20 82
1928	Moses B. Fisher Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	15 39	2 89	1 00	17 28
1929	Ordway & Snell Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	13 77	2 79	13 00	3 56
1929	Amos P. Fairbanks Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	16 51	2 91	1 00	18 42
1929	Mary J. Boynton Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	15 21	2 89	1 00	17 10
1929	Benjamin Dean Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00	2½%	7 03	1 42	1 00	7 45
1930	Georgiana Felch Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	12 23	2 81	1 00	14 04
1931	Jennie G. Dodge Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	150 00	2½%	25 96	4 40	2 00	28 36
1931	Walter N. Maxfield Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	13 39	2 83	1 00	15 22
1932	John A. Burnham Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	150 00	2½%	23 70	4 34	1 00	27 04
1933	Sarah A. Hill Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	50 00	2½%	5 07	1 35	5 00	1 42

1934	Addie L. Morse Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	900 00	2½%	202 52	27 67	10 00	220 19
1934	Frank Crosby Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150 00	2½%	22 09	4 31	3 00	23 40
1935	Willard Carter Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	18 26	2 96	1 00	20 20
1935	John L. Epps Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	13 70	2 77	12 00	4 42
1935	Willard Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	18 25	2 96	1 00	20 27
1935	George E. Downes Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	14 55	2 86	1 00	16 41
1936	Frank Robinson Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	8 37	2 71	1 00	10 08
1936	Arthur G. Clark Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	12 55	2 81	1 00	14 36
1936	Joseph Fitts Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	200 00	2½%	89 65	6 01	1 00	44 66
1937	Samuel & Ephraim Fuller Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	9 59	2 73	1 00	11 32
1939	Fred Henderson Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	13 70	2 84	1 00	15 54
1939	George F. Lowe Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	20 78	3 02	1 00	22 80
1940	Sadie B. Balch Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	82 58	2½%	11 43	2 36	2 00	11 79
1941	Charles H. Nichols Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	11 75	2 79	1 00	13 54
1943	Edwin A. Terren Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00	2½%	3 11	1 32		4 43
1943	Milton G. Starrett Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	500 00	2½%	57 47	14 00	2 00	69 47
1944	William Reed Sawyer Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	150 00	2½%	7 85	3 94	1 00	10 79
1944	Lydia Burton Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	9 14	2 73	1 00	10 87
1944	Wilfred Brown Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2½%	16 25	5 42	1 00	20 67
1944	Joseph H. Chandler Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	6 63	2 66	1 00	8 29
1944	Amasa Downes Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	6 10	2 66	1 00	7 76
1945	Eva Smith Chandler Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	7 24	2 69	1 00	8 93
1946	Frank W. Jones Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	5 16	2 63	1 00	6 79
1946	Capital Reserve	Manchester Savings Bank	1,000 00	2½%	23 04	25 73		48 77
1947	Burt W. Smith Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	2 70	2 56	1 00	4 26
1948	Emma A. Joslin Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	150 00	2½%	5 33	3 90	1 00	8 23
1948	Sylvanus G. Wood Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%	2 78	2 57	1 00	4 35
1949	Fisher and Knight Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	200 00	2½%	1 91	5 05	1 00	5 96
1950	Huntington Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%		1 25		1 25
1950	Forrest Carson Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100 00	2½%		1 04		1 04
1950	Solomon R. Atwood Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	50 00	2½%		10		10
	George Holmes Bixby Library Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1,025 00	2½%		25 62	25 62	
	George Holmes Bixby Library Fund	Bonds	1,500 00	2½%		37 50	37 50	
		Total	$12,959 28		$1,242 52	$351 39	$198 78	$1,395 13

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

PAUL T. BRADBURY
RODNEY G. MILLS
KATHLEEN F. JOHNSON, Trustees

Births Registered in the Town of Francestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1950

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	L or S	No.	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
1950												
Jan. 23	Francestown	Linda M. Johnson	F	L	2	Edward C. Johnson	Marion L. Higgins	W	Francestown	Laborer	Westmoreland	Milford
Mar. 4	Manchester	Donn J. Brous	F	L	3	Donald W. Brous	Clazina C. Verhey	W	Francestown	Engineer	New Jersey	St. Louis, Mo.
Aug. 6	Goffstown	Minnie E. Buxton	F	L	4	George I. Buxton	Ruth E. Cass	W	Francestown	Lumberman	New Boston	Keene

Marriages Registered in the Town of Francestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1950

Place & Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name and Residence of Person by Whom Married
1950 April 21	Alfred W. Thomas	Francestown	38	Teacher	New Hampshire	Alfred S. Thomas Grace Anderson	New Hampshire Mass.	Raymond G. Putnam Minister
Marlboro	Elizabeth H. Arsenault	Marlboro	44	Teacher	Mass.	John Harrison Mary Hill	England England	Marlboro
June 11	George E. Hanns	Philadelphia Pa.	20	Mechanic	Penn.	George E. Hanns Florence Hardgrove	Penn. Ohio	Vernon L. Phillips Clergyman
Francestown	Pauline May Lord	Francestown	22	At home	Mass.	Arthur W. Lord Ruth Blanchard	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Francestown
June 16	Robert M. Houston	Francestown	58	Caretaker	New Hampshire	John O. Houston Bertha M. Gale	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Harrison L. Packard Clergyman
Antrim	Madalene R. Gould	Antrim	29	Housekeeper	New Hampshire	Loyal C. Sturtevant Ella M. Fletcher	New Hampshire New Brunswick	Antrim
June 24	Boardman W. Brown	Seattle, Wash.	22	Student	Washington	Warren Brown, Jr. Mary Q. Boardman	New York	Philip G. Scott Minister
Francestown	Nancy Jackson Freese	Hamden, Conn	22	Secretary	Connecticut	Carl Gates Freese Dorothy H. Clapp	Mass. Conn.	Washington, D. C.
July 28	Richard C. Cilley	Francestown	24	Toolmaker	New Hampshire	Carl E. Cilley Gladys Chandler	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Thomas H. Billings Minister
Hancock	Sylvia Fairfield	Hancock	21	Shop	New Hampshire	Alfred C. Fairfield Louisa Richardson	New Hampshire California	Hancock
Oct. 8	Charles A. Lord	Francestown	24	Laborer	Mass.	Arthur W. Lord Ruth S. Blanchard	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Richard Stoughton, Jr. Clergyman
Jaffrey	Patricia P. Pratt	Jaffrey	22	Clerk	New Hampshire	Ernest Jay Pratt Frances H. Smith	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Jaffrey
Oct. 28	Edward E. Jones	Francestown	21	Farmer	New Hampshire	Clarence C. Jones Sara E. Hart	Mass. Mass.	Willis H. Porter Minister
Nashua	Shirley L. Harris	Nashua	21	Stenographer	New Hampshire	Edwin C. Harris Flora Dunnell	Mass. Mass.	Nashua

Deaths Registered in the Town of Francestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1950

Date	Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Yrs.	Mo.	Days	Place of Birth	Sex	S, M, W	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1950											
April 2	Francestown	Matthew W. Calhoun	64	8	25	Middlebury, Vt.	M	M	Master plumber	Joseph Calhoun	Unknown
April 14	Francestown	Raymond H. Smith	51			Farmington, Me.	M	M	Laborer	Loren J. Smith	Annie Thomas
May 1	Nashua	Althea S. T. Colburn	77			Francestown	F	W	Housewife	Daniel B. Toble	Maria Sleeper
May 20	Goffstown (Grasmere)	Charles Hoag	86		28	Portsmouth	M	W	Laborer-retired	Frank Hoag	Kelley Horton
June 7	Francestown	Ina Luella Ashby	85	11	18	Deering	F	W	Housewife	Richard Clement	Lucinda Bartlett
June 20	Francestown	Henry D. Parker	86	4	4	Brighton, Mass.	M	W	Farmer	Unknown	Unknown
June 24	Francestown	Sarah Jane Foote	79			Francestown	F	S		Patrick M. Foote	Rebecca Whitfield
Aug. 10	Peterborough	Frank E. Garrish	71			Sharon	M	W	Farmer	Frank Garrish	Mary Jane Hadley
Sept. 22	Francestown	Albert P. Dodge	63			Francestown	M	S	Farmer	Albert Dodge	Emily J. Patch
Oct. 26	Peterborough	Frances Hopkins	75	4	5	Worcester, Mass.	F	W	Housewife	Frank W. Wellington	Elizabeth W. DeWitt
Oct. 2	Milford	Almon A. Baldwin	79	11	17	Jaffrey	M	M	Retired Carpenter	John F. Baldwin	Hattie E. Pierce
Dec. 24	Manchester	Addie Follansbee	94			New Hampshire	F	W	Housewife	William Cochrane	Emeline Dennison

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HERMAN C. MILLER, Town Clerk